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DON'T WAIT – VACCINATE!

Health Department offers immunizations to help students be ready to start school on time.



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(Martin County, FL) – With the start of school less than one month away, the Florida Department of Health is urging parents and caregivers to be sure that their student's immunizations are up to date for school entry.

"We want all kids to start school on time," said Maureen Ryan, Assistant Director for Community Health. "Getting the required immunizations now and making sure that your child's school has the 680 form on file will help ensure a smooth start to the new school year."

Proof of certain immunizations, on a #680 form (Florida Certificate of Immunization), is required for school entry if a child is entering kindergarten, seventh grade or is moving to Florida from another state or country. Additional information about immunizations is available here:

<http://martin.floridahealth.gov/programs-and-services/clinical-and-nutrition-services/immunizations/index.html>

Immunization Outreach Events:

Health Department staff will provide the required Tdap vaccine for 7th graders and will offer the HPV vaccine to prevent cancer.

Jensen Beach: **Summer Safety Jam**
Sunday, July 22 10:00 am – 1:00 pm - Indian Riverside Park, 1707 NE Indian River Drive

East Stuart: **Back to School Bash**
Saturday, August 4 10:00 am – 1:00 pm, 705 SE Tarpon Ave

Indiantown: **Back to School Bash**
Saturday, August 11 10:00 am – 12:00 pm, Boys & Girls Club, 17375 Palm Beach St.

Appointments:

The Health Department in Martin County is offering school age immunizations for uninsured or underinsured children. Call 772-221-4000 ext. 2242 to schedule an appointment.

The Health Department also partners with the **Golden Gate Center for Enrichment** in Stuart to offer immunizations on Wednesdays, 1:00 – 4:00 pm. The online calendar is available here:

<http://goldengatecentermc.org/golden-gate-calendar>

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